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# Referendum Issues: Yes x 3

Two proposed constitutional amendments and a capital improvements bond issue for higher education will be put to the North Carolina electorate in the March 23 presidential preference primary. Here's our assessment of each of these proposals:

***Constitutional Amendment - Industrial Revenue Bonds*** — A complete review of this amendment and its implications appears on Pages 20-21, but in summary, it would permit each county in the state to issue revenue bonds as a means of financing industrial facilities or pollution control eqnipment for industry. North Carolina is now the only state without provision for such a financing arrangement and, as a result, operates with a severe handicap when attempting to attract new industries.

The proposal, which has been supported in various incarnations by the administrations of Gov. Dan Moore, Gov. Bob Scott and Gov. Jim Holshouser, simply offers industries an alternative to conventional financing which can save them thousands of dollars yearly on interest costs. Since tax monies cannot under any circumstances be used to pay off the bonds, Tar Heel taxpayers risk nothing by supporting the procedure.

Yet they would benefit from the improved economy which is bound to flow from the new job opportunities and financial investments that will come with the industries this procedure will attract.

Our vote: Yes ☑ No ☐

***Constitutional Amendment - Revenue Bonds for Health Facilities*** — This proposal would authorize nse of revenue bonds for financing constrnction of health facilities. Most of the state's hospitals could use the mechanism, saving large sums of money on interest costs. The public at large, which is served by these institutions, would ultimately fall heir to those savings.

Our vote: Yes ☑ No ☐

***Capital Improvements Bond Issue for Higher Education*** — Under this proposal, the state wonld issue $43.3 million in bonds to finance construction projects at the state-supported institutions of higher education. The funds would be used for projects on all but three of the 16 campnses, the exceptions being East Carolina University, North Carolina Central University and the N.C. School of the Arts, all of which have received recent legislative appropriations for new buildings.

This is the first statewide bond issue for facilities at these institutions to go before the electorate since 1959, when voters approved an $18.2 million bond issue for this purpose, along with other bond issue proposals. The construction is needed so these schools can more effectively meet the needs of the young men and women who are enrolled at these 13 campuses. State officials say the bonds can be paid off without raising taxes.

Our vote: Yes ☑ No ☐

# rural electric Notebook

## EMCs, CITIES CONFER WITH DUKE

The Electric Membership Corporations and municipal electric systems in North Carolina have entered formal negotiations with Duke Power Co. regarding the purchase of a portion of a nuclear generating plant now under construction on Lake Wylie in York County, S.C.

The cooperatives are being represented in the negotiations by their state association, N.C.EMC. Representing the municipal systems is a newly-formed organization known as the North Carolina Municipal Power Agency. The new group, the first joint municipal power agency to be created under legislation passed by the 1975 General Assembly, is headed by High Point Mayor Roy E. Culler, chairman.

The negotiations are based on Duke Power's offer to sell the 2,300-megawatt Catawba Nuclear Station to the cooperatives and municipalities in the two Carolinas. The EMCs and municipal systems are now major wholesale customers of Duke Power, buying power from the firm for resale to their consumers.

The South Carolina municipalities and cooperatives are not involved in the negotiations with Duke at present, but could join the talks at a later date.

The $1.2 billion nuclear plant, which is scheduled to go into operation in the early 1980s, would be completed by Duke even if the sale is closed prior to its completion, under the Duke proposal.

## FOR ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

A petition entitled "A Declaration for Energy Independence," signed by 32,000 of the nation's scientists and engineers, has been presented to Federal Energy Administrator Frank Zarb.

The petition, dated on the second anniversary of the OPEC oil embargo, called for national and state governments to "redirect their efforts toward energy independence, primarily through the increased use of coal and nuclear power." Signers represented more than 200,000 man-years of experience in the nuclear and power generation fields.

## SOLAR POWER "YEARS AWAY"

"Full development of solar power is still years away, but the sun is beginning to play a role in the reduction of U.S. dependence on foreign oil," Federal Energy Administrator Zarb told the Senate Select Committee on Small Business recently.

He said, "The greatest impact from solar energy will likely occur after 1985, but solar energy could produce a useful oil equivalency before that date." He estimated that solar collectors manufactured this year will provide an energy equivalent to 600 barrels of oil per day.

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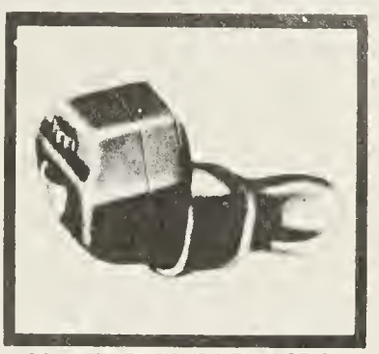

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Goodrich, Goodyear—Asheville, Asheboro—it can be confusing for those not familiar with tires or North Carolina towns. Goodyear is the one with the blimp and Asheboro is the one with the state zoo.

Asheboro, named for Governor Samuel Ashe, lies in the geographical center of North Carolina near the ancient Uwharrie Mountains. Most outsiders are unaware that in Piedmont North Carolina there is a mountain range whose peaks average 900 feet in elevation.

As unusual as the mountains is the phenominal industrial growth Asheboro has experienced. Insurance Agent Glenn "Red" Hurley has seen many changes in 44 years. He grew up shining shoes for the Saturday matinees at the now closed Carolina Theatre. Nine cents bought admission to the show and a nickel would get you a soft drink or a box of popcorn.

"With a quarter you could see a movie and get sick," Hurley says.

You won't find any nine cent movie tickets in Asheboro anymore,

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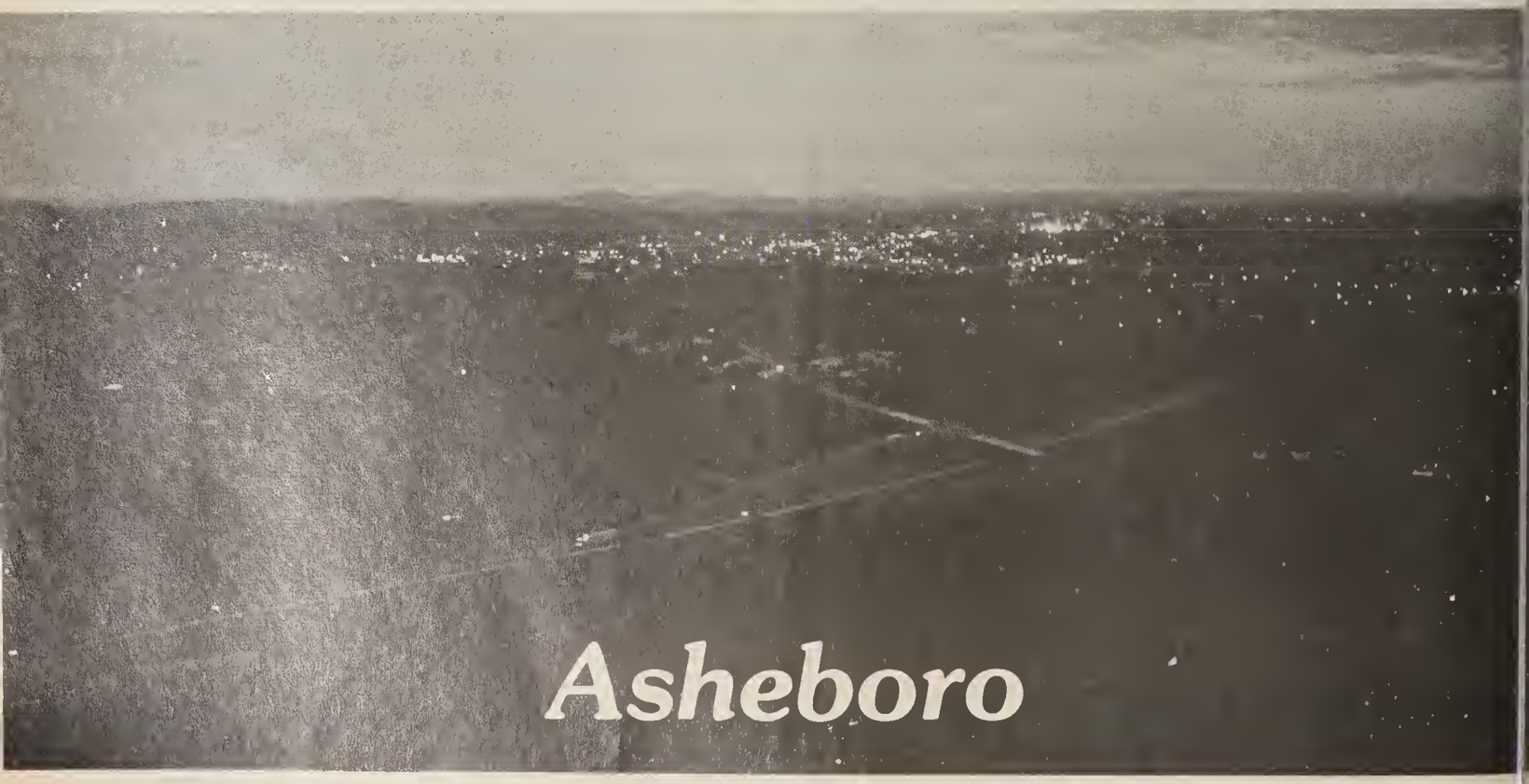
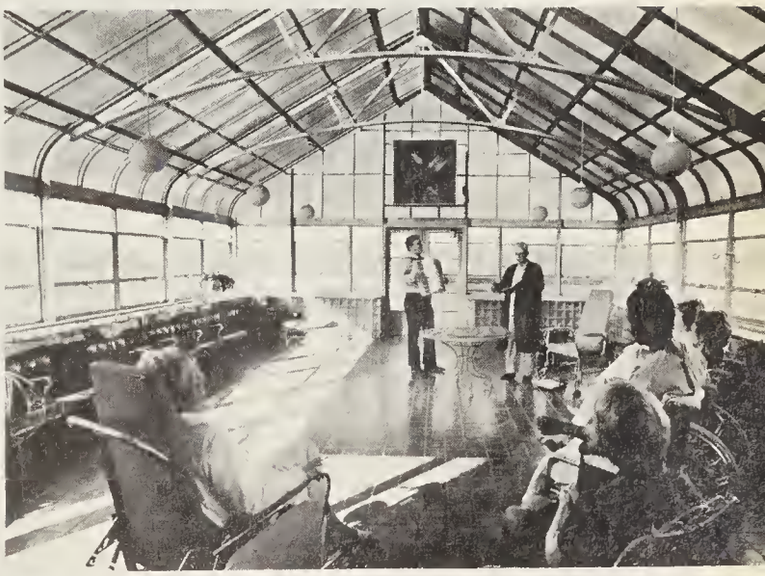
*ABOVE—The steeple of the First Baptist Church rises above downtou Asheboro. In the background is the top of Shepherd Mountain, at 1,200 feet, the highest of the Uwharri LEFT—A painted boulder on Route 42 near an entrance to Asheboro reminds passersby of the strong influence of the church in the area. BELOW—From a lookout tower atc Daves Mountain, Asheboro, with its estimated 20,000 residents, is a gem the night.*



# Asheboro

*LEFT—At the N.C. Zoological Park near Asheboro, animal keeper Tim Cox has his hands full feeding a Mandrill named Randy. At seven months, Randy is still a baby. When he reaches maturity in several years, he'll weigh about 200 pounds, have fangs two inches long, and be unapproachable. Randy is one of the more than 100 primates, reptiles, birds and mammals currently on exhibit at the interim zoo. The opening of a 300 acre African section, the first permanent natural habitat exhibit, is scheduled for later this year.*

*BELOW—Some patients at Randolph Hospital in Asheboro are treated twice a week—not by the doctor—but with a visit to the hospital solarium. An unusual room for a hospital, the solarium is the center for the singing of hymns and other devotionals on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Here accordionist Chuck Mealy provides the music, while patient Albert Jones leads the group in song.*



*LEFT—The 1839 Female Academy is one of the historic buildings that have been restored in Asheboro through the efforts of an active historical association. The building was used as a soldiers barracks during the Civil War, and classes were held at the teacher's home.*

*BELOW—Covered bridges in Randolph County once numbered more than 50, but now only two remain. One of these is the bridge at Pisgah pictured below. Why were they ever covered? Some say it was a desire for thrift. Farmers could use them as barns after their usefullness as bridges faded.*

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but growth hasn't seriously hurt the small town atmosphere. Many visitors to the area are so charmed by the local folks that they stay on permanently.

One of those is a professional football player named David Rowe. Rowe, a defensive lineman for the Oakland Raiders, came to Asheboro two years ago to speak at a Youth Breakfast. Several months later Rowe moved his family from N.J. to Asheboro.

"I've never been in a community that's been warmer to me than this one," Rowe says. "When we came home (from Oakland), there was a big sign on the house that said 'Welcome Home Rowes.' And afterward, people brought food over for days."

"In the year I've been here I think I've enjoyed it most of any off season," Rowe says.

It seems to be a town that cares about people. One of the many industries in Asheboro is Acme-McCrary, a textile manufacturer that in 1946 built a recreation center for its employees complete with bowling alleys and an indoor swimming pool.

It's not the place to live for those who like the night life, but insurance agent Hurley says if you're looking for quiet, peaceful living, "it's as good a place as any." If it were not for modesty, Hurley would probably add, "and better than most."

*ABOVE—Bill Lamonds takes a break from his duties at the Seagro Pottery south of Asheboro. The Seagrove community has been c center for potters since before the American Revolution. The former railroad depot of Seagrove is now a pottery museum.*

# The Tysons build their first new home

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*W.C. Carlton of Morehead City, who retired in 1973 after serving for 23 years as manager of Carteret-Craven Electric Membership Corporation, was honored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association at its annual meeting, Feb. 1-5, in Anaheim, Calif. He was given the Clyde T. Ellis Award for his "outstanding leadership" in state and national rural electric programs.*

*The award had been presented only once before. In 1974 it went to Ellis, a former general manager of the national association.*

Some might say the "fates" played a role in launching W.C. Carlton on his distinguished career in rural electrification. Others might say he simply fell victim to a series of circumstances which opened the way for that career.

finding himself with an offer to join the newly-organize Carteret County Chamber of Commerce as manager

What if . . . he'd found his special niche in life as businessman and never sought that job as manager Carteret-Craven EMC back in 1950?

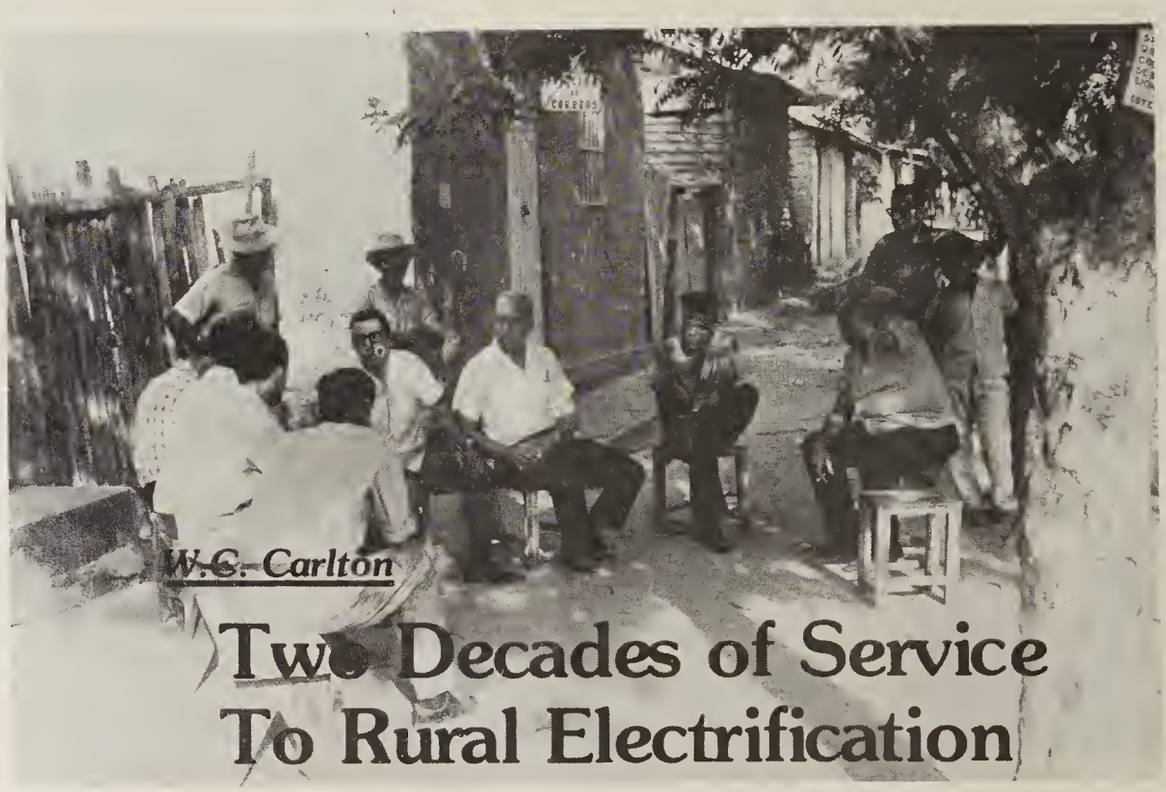
The game could go on and on.

Carlton himself spends little time pondering the "wha ifs" of the past, but he takes great pleasure in lookin back on his 23-year career in the rural electric program– a career which included service on state and nation boards and three overseas assignments.

What has brought him the most satisfaction?

"I have to say the work right here at home," he says. gave him the opportunity to work with "the best board directors in the United States."

During his tenure as manager at Carteret-Craven, th EMC grew from an operation serving 2,000 consume



W.C. Carlton

# Two Decades of Service To Rural Electrification

*W.C. Carlton (center) worked with the Agency for International Development in Venezuala in an attempt to bring electric power to rural areas there. Here a mayor and town board discuss plans to bring central power to a town that already had curbs and gutters, but no electricity. A faded sign nailed to a tree pleads for electric service for the 2,000 people who lived there.*

In any case, the beginning of Carlton's career offers ample material for a game of reflective "what-ifs."

What if he'd . . . never met Helen Hendrix, the Carteret County girl who joined the faculty at Middle Georgia College, where his father was dean? She's Mrs. Carlton.

What if . . . he'd never taken that first job in Carteret County and planted roots which would make him as much at home there as his wife?

What if . . . he'd gone back to his job in Washington when he was discharged from the Navy in 1946, rather than visiting Mrs. Carlton's mother and, in the process,

on 329 miles of line to a cooperative serving 11,0 member-owners on 769 miles of line. In that period, t number of EMC employees rose from 10 to 36.

That board supported Carlton as he sought to ser the rural electric program wherever he could fill a nee

"They never hesitated," he recalled. Both Carlton ar the board had confidence that B.F.Morton Jr., t assistant manager who succeeded Carlton as manage and the rest of the EMC staff could keep things runnir smoothly when the manager had to be away.

Carlton was on the Board of Directors of Nor

arolina Electric Membership Corporation, the state ssociation of electric cooperatives, from 1959 to 1962, rving as president during his last year on the board. He as the North Carolina representative on the Board of irectors of the National Rural Electric Cooperative ssociation (NRECA) from 1962 to 1971.

His overseas service came while he was on the national oard. He was a rural electrification specialist on two ssignments, spending six weeks in Costa Rica in 1963 nd three months in Venezuela in 1965. In 1967, he spent ur months in India as team leader for a rural ectrification assistance program.

He also helped organize the National Rural Utilities ooperative Finance Corp., which provides financing for ooperatives to supplement Rural Electrification dministration loans. He was a member of its Board of irectors during its first year of operation.

The overseas assignments were arranged by NRECA nder a contract with the Agency for International evelopment. The projects were financed by the agency, th the association providing qualified men to help ganize electric cooperatives in developing nations.

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Carlton and his fellow specialists found stubborn sistance to their efforts on these trips.

"Everywhere we went we had people who'd try to wngrade us and tell us we didn't have a chance of cceeding. Well, we knew what difficulty there was in tting started in this country, so it was natural to find s attitude."

The mission to Costa Rica paid off handsomely with e formation of a cooperative which is still operating, as as Carlton knows. The trip to Venezuela failed to get a operative off the ground, since that nation's vernment now operates the power system for the tire country. Carlton has had no word on the ultimate sults of the trip to India.

Outside of the rural electric program, Carlton's eatest satisfaction has come from his work with the rteret County Planning Commission, which was ganized in 1959. He was secretary of the commission ring its first six years of existence.

"I think we were the first county in the state to form a nning commission and it has brought a real change in e complexion of the county. I think its work has had ting value."

Carlton has also enjoyed working with an industrial velopment group known as Carteret Industries.

"We'd get involved when an industry or business uld need a loan and a certain matching share would e to be raised locally. That's been our job."

—*Owen Bishop*—

*Carlton (right) and National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Legislative Representative William Murray (center), with President Lyndon Johnson in 1965.*

W.C. Carlton, a Georgia native, finished high school in Waycross, Ga., and received a BA degree in economics from Mercer University. He began work as principal of a rural school near Cochran, Ga.

After taking graduate work at the University of North Carolina, he became principal of Beaufort High School in 1935. He joined the state employment service in 1938 as manager of its New Bern office, which served a five-county area.

In 1942, he moved to Raleigh to assume the post of state supervisor of the War Manpower Commission. About 18 months later, he became a regional supevisor in that agency's Washington office.

After service with the Navy, Carlton returned to Carteret County in 1946 and became the first manager of the county's Chamber of Commerce. A year later, he joined Madix Asphault Roofing Co. and Volney Felt Mill in an administrative capacity. In 1949, he became a sales representative of Dewey Brothers Construction Co. in Goldsboro. He joined Carteret-Craven EMC in 1950.

His community activities have included service on the Carteret County Planning Commission and work with Carteret Industries, a local development firm. He is a past president of the Morehead City Rotary Club and a former member of the Morehead City Board of Education. He has also worked with the Boy Scouts and has taught Sunday School for many years at Morehead City's First Baptist Church.

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# Country Kitchen

EGGPLANT CASSEROLE

Usually a good buy year-round, eggplant offers an exotic change of pace for the family table. Lula Couch has found what she calls "very delicious" preparation for the vegetable.

Her original recipe for "Eggplant Casserole," the Elizabeth City native admits, "I don't measure anything when I make it myself."

**If you would like to share a recipe with this column, send it to: Country Kitchen, P.O. Box 27306, Raleigh, N.C. 27611. We pay $5 for published recipes.**

## COUNTRY KITCHEN RECIPE

Submitted by Lula D. Couch of Elizabeth City, N.C.

## EGGPLANT CASSEROLE

1 medium eggplant (unpeeled)
1 T. finely chopped onion
2 T. Pepperidge Farm Herb seasoned stuffing
2 or 3 dashes grated Parmesan cheese
1/2 cup water
1 8 oz. can tomato sauce

Wash unpeeled eggplant and slice crosswise. Drop 1 or 2 slices at a time into boiling water for about 2 minutes. Dip each slice out with a pierced spoon. Put layers of eggplant slices, onion, dressing and cheese into casserole dish. Dot each layer with margarine. Pour 1/2 cup water over top (dressing absorbs water; add more if necessary). Dot top with margarine. Pour tomato sauce over casserole. Bake in 350° oven approximately 45 minutes.

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# MARRIAGE:

By Margaret Howell

So you've heard a rumor that the institution of marriage is breaking down?

You've heard that the "in thing" is to join a commune, participate in a group marriage or an open marriage, or have no marriage at all.

The rumors abound . . . whispering that one of our most cherished institutions is being thrown out the back door with the wash water.

Not so, according to Dr. David Knox.

"Marriage is still the best game in town," says the associate professor of sociology at East Carolina University.

Statistics bear him out, for Knox has supplemented his college teaching with volumes of research and publications on marriage, counseling and family life in modern America. His approach is simple, direct and down-to-earth.

"People have found that there's more hassle in living with 50 people than with one," he says. "They opt for the smaller cubicle with one person."

Even though he finds fewer marriages today than yesterday, Knox contends that still "95-97 per cent of all people are marrying.

"Many times, people are choosing to delay marriage, accounting for the statistical drop," he says, "But they are not choosing to stay single." The facts show that there are not as many married people in the 18-24 year-old bracket as among their counterparts only five years ago.

Knox believes that they will marry, however—it's just a matter of time.

"They have found that the payoff to staying single is lonliness. And, they pay the price of living in a 'couple world'."

Yet another, more prevalent consideration in the "singles" statistics is the larger number of women, aged 18-24, who are delaying marriage to gain skills and training they can market. Knox sees this trend as a good one, which also prepares women for the role of breadwinner whenever and however the situation arises.

The family, he says, is a self-contained world. "It's become a recharge center from which we leave to go out into the world. We live in a secondary world—that is, a world in which we must deal with many relationships outside our immediate families, like the bank teller, the grocer and our business co-workers.

"Because of this, marriage and family life have experienced weakened ties.

"There is," he added, some evidence to suggest that people who 'pray together stay together.'

"It is not clear why," he said. "It may be religion, or simply that doing what's appropriate is very satisfying to the couple. It's the traditional versus the conventional," he said.

In another explanation of the "pray together-stay together" axiom, Knox reminds that "communication is the most central concern in marriage.

"No communication, no marriage," he says.

He notes that when one partner begins to feel that "I'm all alone" or "I've been tricked," trouble can start easily. So, too, must good communication—a practice which should start with the marriage.

"You can get a 'stacking effect' of problems," Knox says, which lead to marital turmoil.

Knox has a pet analogy that goes, "When you marry, you get three things: A ring, license and a little red wagon.

"The wagon will hold all your problems and disagreements between each other. You have to keep it empty to keep a happy marriage and not let the stones of disagreemer add up, turn into a rock pile and break down your wagon.

***"When you marry, you get thre things: A ring, a license and little red wagon. . ."***

# Hitch Your Wagon to a Star!

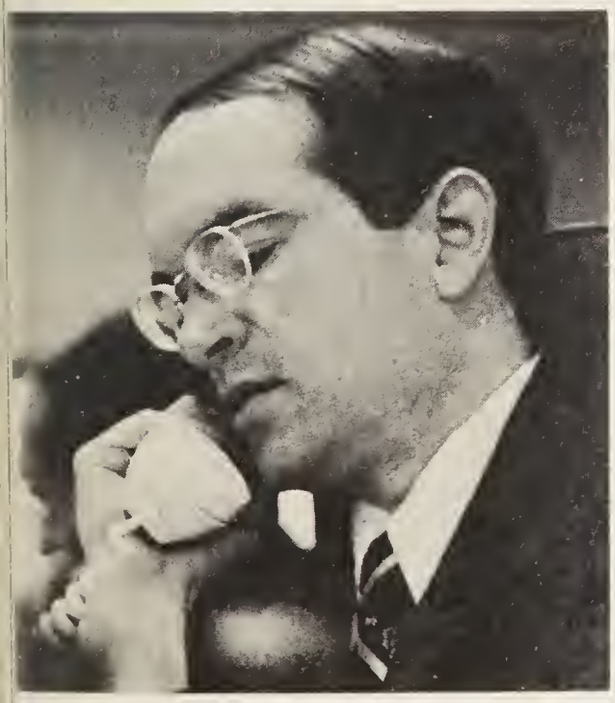
When this begins to happen, you must make a eal effort to reestablish the earlier eelings of your good relationship."

Knox says that divorces happen n one of two ways: "The partners don't know vhat went wrong, thus they don't know where o make corrections. Or, they know what is vrong and they choose not to change.

"In order to hurdle the ossibilities of divorce, you must make commitment and a decision in reference o your partner," the sociologist says.

That includes making value choices and hanging your behavior if necessary. Many mes, when pushed, and the threat of divorce s near, partners will make changes they ight not normally make.

To this end, Knox has advocated ne use of behavior contracts: A system of ontracts which the couple makes with ach other in an effort to modify their ehavior toward one another.



**Husband, father and author of *Dr. Knox's arital Exercise Book, Marriage Happiness: A ehavioral Approach* and *Marriage, Who? hen? Why?*, sociologist David Knox pecializes in marriage and family counseling. e is an alumnus of Auburn University and holds Ph.D. degree from Florida State University.**

"A lot of people say this system and the suggestions it makes to both partners smacks of mechanism. They feel it would make them appear to be robots and that it takes spontaneity out of marriage, where it is most needed.

"What they don't see," says Knox, "is that if it's structured, it's not necessarily foolish."

Knox's behavioral contracts force the couple to return to the happy times of their marriage in a systematic way that eventually becomes second nature:

> Couples must spend a certain amount of time together each day.
> They may look into each other's eyes and hold hands.
> Above all, they must talk, asking each other open-ended questions.
> When those questions are answered, the couple must act in a non-evaluative way, being positive and using the session as a sharing, rather than a gripe session.

But what makes a good marriage in the first place? What are those things that seem to give couples a better-than-average go of it?

According to Knox, two of the basics include the selection of a partner and the management of the relationship.

"Select someone with whom you will have the least chance of arguing—in essence, marry yourself," says Knox.

"That sounds dull? Maybe, but constant conflict would be very disconcerting."

Three additional guidelines, he says, are to marry when one or both of the partners has a stable income, when you have known each other for at least 12 months, when your parents approve and when the girl is not pregnant.

When to marry?

"You can marry right now," Know says, "or you may live together, or you may stay single."

The professor notes that there is an increasing number of couples who are choosing to live together before marriage. He says that a vast majority of couples who lived together out of marriage within the last five years thought of the arrangement as "a good experience" whether or not they married at a later date.

"Staying single," he says, "goes against tradition. There is a false prophecy that says marriage equals happiness. That's not true," Knox says. "There are a number of happy single people around." The sociologist did note, however, that men are not as happy as singles as women.

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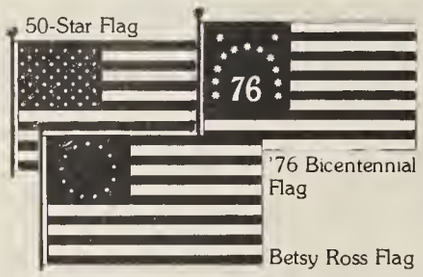


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# Books

***Mecklenburg: A Bicentennial Story* by Dannye Romine, illustrated by Donald Sexauer, 1975, Published by Independence Square Associates, Charlotte, N.C., 84 pages, $3.50.**

**By Elizabeth Simpson Smith**

*Mecklenburg: A Bicentennial Story* is so beautifully illustrated, printed and bound that author Dannye Romine is afraid it will lie forever on coffee tables fondled, admired but unread. She needn't worry.

Listen to this opening paragraph: "An abiding love for Susannah Spratt led Thomas Polk into what is now Charlotte, North Carolina, and an enduring vision made him stay. A vision perhaps only Polk could see more than 200 years ago when he built his frame house at the muddy crossroads of two Indian trading paths, paths that would later be known As Trade and Tryon Streets."

Surely you're already hooked and want to read on about Tom and Sue and what happens at the muddy crossroads now known as Independence Square, the heart of North Carolina's largest city. The same narrative quality is carried forward throughout the book.

The book is not simply a recounting of dates and events in chronological order. The author instead chose an anecdotal sytle in relating Mecklenburg's history. Each chapter could be read separately with pleasure, starting at any point in the book and working forward or backward. The book, of course, is written chronologically. But in addition to the usual resources which historical writers use, Ms. Romine spent tedious hours in the microfilm room in the public library pouring over old newspaper accounts, ferreting out tiny facts of large interest, such as what fragrance the ladies were wearing and what books the gentlemen were reading.

That isn't to say that the history itself is not handled seriously. It is. It is simply ensconced in a lively, appealing style that makes for easy reading.

Donald Sexauer's illustrations are a thing of joy, making you long for framed prints for your own private walls.

Romine is a free-lance writer and poet, and book editor of the *Charlotte Observer*.

The book was made possible by a grant from North Carolina National Bank and was sanctioned by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Bicentennial Commission. It's a joy to find a hard-back with both beauty and substance in these days when the cost of publishing has encouraged shabby books with little or no illustrations. *Mecklenburg: A Bicentennial Story* would be a welcome addition to the bookshelf of any North Carolinian.

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**Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson Smith of Rt. 1, Iron Station, is a free-lance writer and a member of the Charlotte Writers Club.**

# The Adapter Plug: Friend or Foe

The adapter plug is a useful little gizmo, making it possible for you to magically convert those three-pronged plugs for use in an outlet designed only for two-pronged plugs.

You've seen it — it's that little electric plug with three holes in one side, two prongs on the other side and a little green wire dangling from the middle.

It's a nifty little gadget — but can be either friend or foe. It can save your life or kill you, depending on how you use it.

The secret is not to let the green wire dangle.

Chances are you're using an adapter plug right now. Most refrigerators, washers, dryers and many power tools that are not of the newer double-insulated type come equipped with a three-pronged plug.

But the electric outlets in older homes were built to accommodate plugs with only two prongs. So you need to use an adapter plug to make the appliance plug fit the outlet.

That's fine — so long as you don't let that green wire dangle.

If you do, the adapter plug becomes a cheater plug, cheating you of the protection you've paid for and possibly resulting in shock you'll never forget — or never live to remember.

You don't have to be a genius to understand the three-wire system and how it works.

Your 10-year-old son or daughter could understand it (in fact, it might be a good idea to explain it to them).

Electricity follows the easiest path in completing a circuit.

But a tool or appliance can become defective. Current can leak into the outer shell of the device, the part that you touch with your hands.

If you also happen to be in contact with a ground, such as a water faucet, or if you are standing on earth or a damp floor, then your body can become the return "wire" carrying the electric current back to its source.

The three-wire system prevents that hazard by providing a better path to ground than your body.

It's easier for the leaking electric current to run through the grounded third wire than through you. So it does just that — if the third wire is grounded.

There's a catch. If the third wire isn't grounded, it can't protect you.

The third wire can't protect you if you cut off the third prong on a three-pronged plug.

And the three-wire system can't protect you if the green wire or tab is properly connected to the wall outlet, but the outlet itself isn't grounded.

**If you're using an adapter plug like this — with the little green wire dangling — you're taking a chance on a severe shock or death. The green wire must be attached to provide safe ground for the plug.**

You can buy a circuit tester to test the wall outlet.

Touch one prong of the tester to the screw in the middle of the cover plate of the wall outlet.

If the screw is painted over, scratch off enough paint to establish a good contact, or take out the screw and put the tester prong in the screw hole. Then insert the other prong of the tester, first into one slot of the receptacle, then into the other.

Be careful to hold the insulated handles of the prongs. If you touch the metal tips, you could get a shock.

If the tester glows when the prong is inserted in either of the slots (only one will light), the outlet is grounded.

Just fasten the green wire or tab on the adapter plus to the screw on the wall outlet.

If your wall outlet isn't grounded, the tester will not light. You'll have to connect the green wire to a water pipe or other metal ground, or have an electrician wire your wall outlets to make sure they are grounded.

# People

**Sally, Blizzard**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Orion Blizzard** of Kenansville, was crowned 1976 N.C. Pork Queen, sponspored by the N.C. Pork Producers Association and the N.C. Porkettes Association. She received a $200 scholarship and an expense-paid trip to compete in the national competition in 1977.

Two North Carolinians were honored recently by the National Association of Conservation Districts at the group's annual meeting in Honolulu. They were **Mrs. Irene McIver,** a third grade teacher from Greensboro, who was named Conservation Teacher of the Year; and **Robert J. Bowers** of Lee County, who received the Special Service Award for his work in promoting conservation practices by farmers. He is a member of Lee County's Pocket Grange.

**Maurice A. Weaver** Rt. 3, Fuquay-Varina, has been named the North Carolina Department of Agriculture's employee of the year for 1975. He is budget officer for the department. An East Carolina University graduate, Weaver served as assistant controller of NCDA from 1967 to 1969. He transferred to the Department of Administration and worked there until November, 1972, when he assumed his present post.

**Members of the Gaston County Extension Homemakers Clubs** recently claimed a first place citizenship award from the National Extension Homemakers Council in Orlando, Fla. The clubs were honored for their Concerned Citizens for Justice campaign.

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Ritchie** of Rt. 3, China Grove, were honored recently as "Young Farmer and Rancher of the Year" at the 40th annual convention of the N.C. Farm Bureau in Asheville.

Yadkin County farmer **W.W. Johnson** and his sons, **Von** and **Kerry,** have been declared North Carolina's corn growing champions for the second consecutive year. In claiming the 1975 title, they produced 223 bushels of corn per acre, establishing a record for corn production in the state. The Johnsons, who live at Rt. 1, Boonville, produced slightly more than 200 bushels in 1974.


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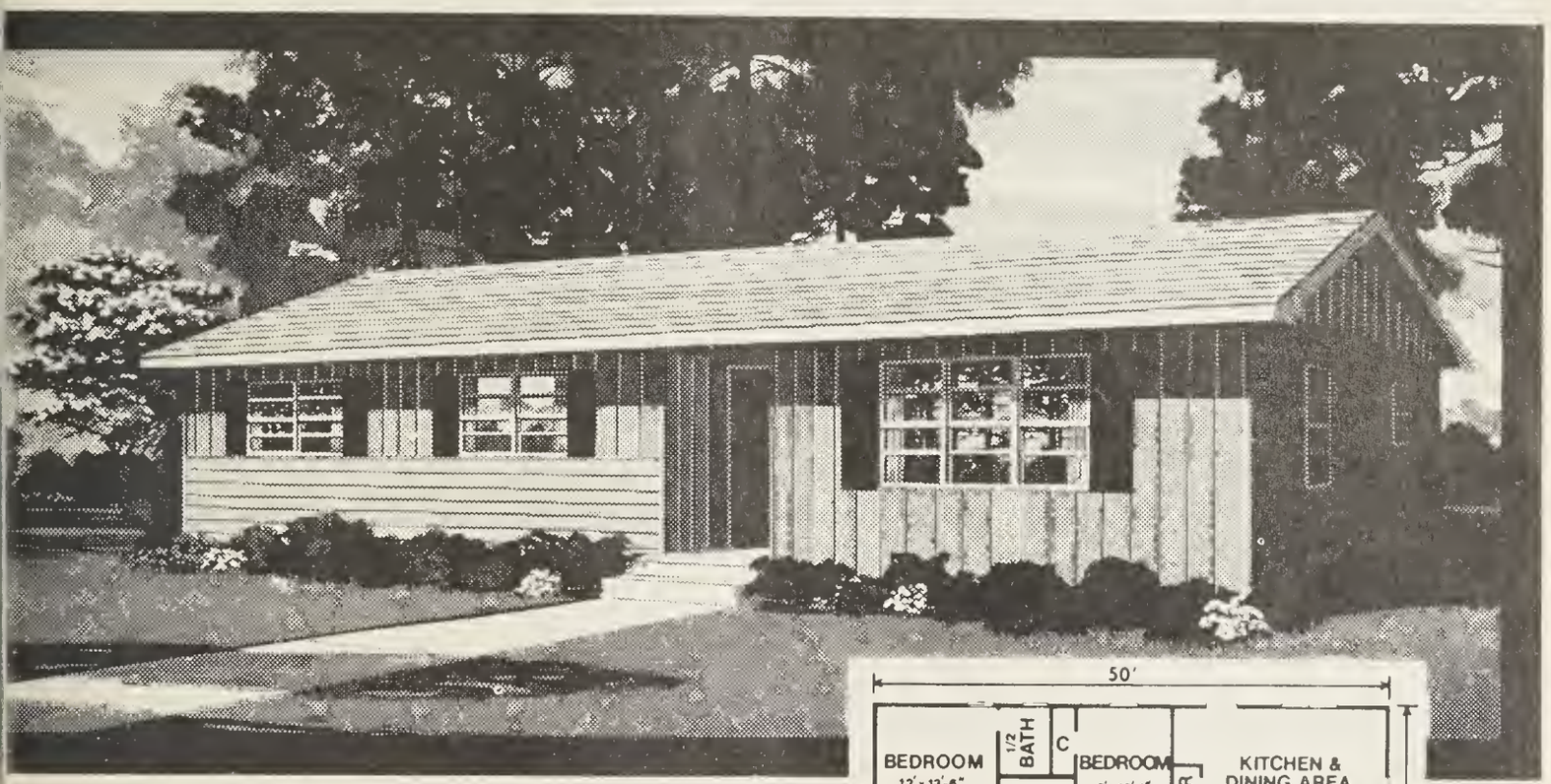

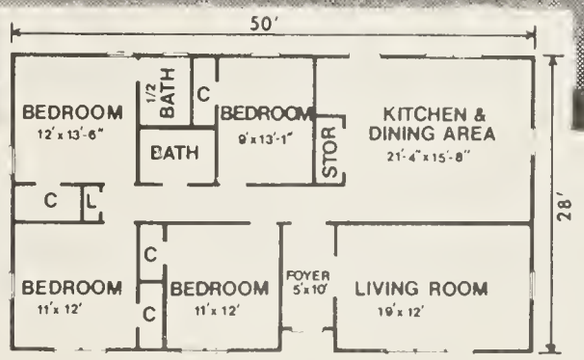


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# INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS

*A proposed constituional amendment authorizing North Carolina counties to issue industrial revenue bonds will go before Tar Heel voters as part of the state's presidential preference primary March 23. The bonds would be used as a means of financing industrial facilities or pollution control equipment.*

*For complete details of the proposal and its implications for the state, CAROLINA COUNTRY interviewed Bob C. Goforth, chief of the Industrial Development Section, Division of Economic Development, Department of Natural and Economic Resources. The interview is reproduced here in edited form.*

**What are industrial revenue bonds and how do they differ from general obligations bonds?**

Revenue bonds are used in all the other 49 states as a method of financing manufacturing and pollution control facilities. They are secured by the assets of private industry while general obligation bonds are secured by tax dollars.

**Why do we need them in North Carolina?**

In order to bring new industries to the state and provide the jobs needed for our economy. In the past two years more than 50 industries we worked with have chosen to locate plants in other states in order to get industrial bond financing. These companies would have invested almost 700 million in facilities and would have employed almost 20,000 North Carolinians. And we need this kind of growth just to maintain our economic status quo. We need to create something like 40,000 new jobs every year from now until 1990 just to keep our labor force working because of the number of people who'll be coming on the job market.

**Why are these bonds sometimes called "tax-free revenue bonds?**

Because the interest that the bond holders earn fro them is free from state and federal income tax. Only th interest. The company using the facilities financed through these bonds is required by law to pay all the taxes any other company would pay, including property taxes. They don't get a free ride in any way

**Then, offering revenue bonds would have no effe whatever on the tax burdens facing Tar Heel taxpayers?**

That's exactly right. There is no way that anything c be taken out of the taxpayers' pockets under this program. The legislation is very specific about that. The law says that at no time can any tax monies or oth public monies be used to pay off these bonds or an part of these bonds. In fact, the proposal can actual put money into the pocket of North Carolinians in ter of new jobs and overall improvement of the state's economy.

**When these bonds are used to finance pollutio abatement facilities, they might be used by companies which have already settled in the sta Under this arrangement, what are the potential risks and benefits for the taxpayer?**

Again, the taxpayer is protected under the law ar could never be asked to pay a penny on this kind o venture. However, he might well save money on goo and services provided by the industry involved becau of the firm's savings on the financing of these polluti control devices. Take the utilities, for example. The are required to spend vast sums on pollution abateme and they'll spend far less by financing through reven bonds because their interest costs would be lower. T probably would not mean that their customers coul expect rates to go down, but it might keep them fr rising as fast as they otherwise would.

**Exactly how would the bonds be issued?**

First of all, it's entirely a county option. If a coun decides to use revenue bonds for a project, it will forr bond authority. This authority would then take a look the company they're interested in attracting and determine that it is a financially sound firm and that the kind of industry the community wants and need Once they approve the project, it is then submitted the state's Secretary of Natural and Economic

**"There is no way that anything can be taken out of the taxpayers' pockets under this program."**

**Bob C. Goforth**

Resources. He and his staff then study the proposal, checking the firm's credit rating and overall implications of its locating in that community. If he approves it, the matter is then passed on to the North Carolina Local Government Commission, which looks at it in the same way—while also eyeing the conditions of the current bond market. If that agency sanctions it, the bond offering is subjected to the most critical evaluation of all—that of the people who're interested in investing in those bonds. Obviously, they're not going to invest their money unless they determine on pretty good authority that the company involved is a good credit risk. So the bonds are sold, the land is purchased, the building erected and the machinery installed for the company to get into business. The company then makes payments to the bond authority in an amount equal to the mortgage payments on all facilities.

**Are there limitations on how much money can be financed through revenue bonds?**

Yes. The value of all land, buildings and machinery cannot exceed $5 million. This is an Internal Revenue Service rule. At the other end of the scale, it isn't economically feasible to use this method for financing anything under about $750,000 because of the closing costs, attorneys' fees and other costs of this sort. Below this level, conventional financing is just as inexpensive as revenue bonds. However, neither the amendment nor the IRS have established a limit on the value of pollution abatement equipment which can be financed through revenue bonds.

**How much money would the industry save as a result of using revenue bonds?**

The company will save about 2 per cent on its interest rate. On a $5 million issue, that's about $80,000 a year for a 20-year period. So you can see why industries are interested in it.

**What happens to the facilities once the bonds are retired?**

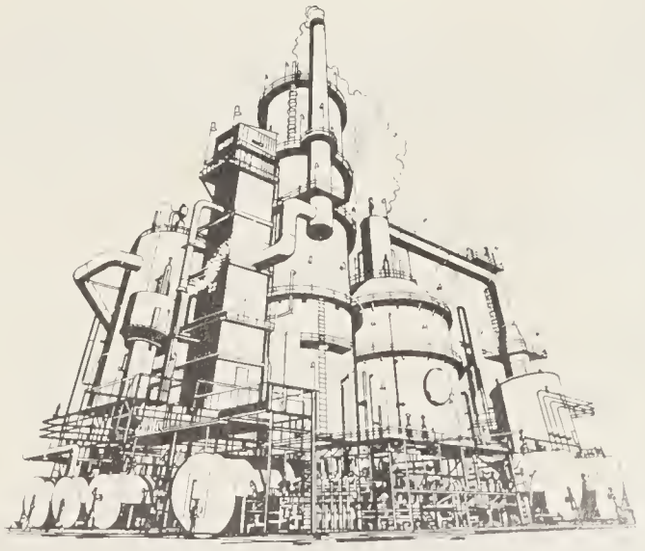
That's entirely up to the bond authority and the company. The authority might elect to keep possession and just lease it back to the company. Or, the company could come to some kind of terms with the authority and buy it outright.

**Industrial revenue bonds have been supported by the administrations of Gov. Dan Moore, Gov. Bob Scott and Gov. Jim Holhouser. Why do you think the idea has received such a poor reception among rank-and-file Tar Heels?**

I think it's our basic conservatism. Historically, North Carolina has carried on its industry-hunting efforts without the gimmicks that many other states use to attract industries. Many people in our state have tended to think of this as just another gimmick, so they've shied away from it. But, as interest rates have risen, more and more companies have become interested in this form of financing and it has become widely-accepted as a sound financial tool for industrial firms to use.

**What are the most common questions North Carolinians ask about this proposal and how do you answer them?**

They want to know if it'll cost them any tax money. Of course, the answer is no. They want to know why we need it and I think I've already covered the answer to that. And finally, they want to know what kind of industry this is going to attract. There seems to be concern that this financing arrangement is some sort of last-ditch device for fly-by-night companies that might not be able to borrow from conventional sources of loans. That's as far from the truth as it can be because of all the safeguards that are built into the plan.



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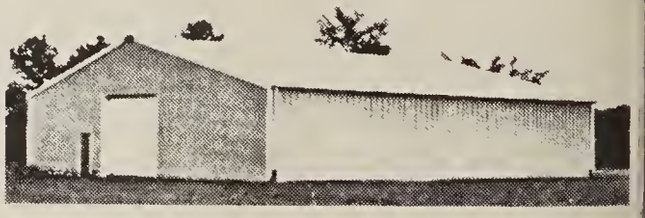

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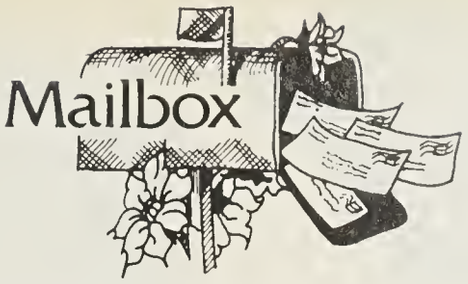


The article entitled "Financing Consumer Co-ops" which appeared in *Carolina Country* (October issue) disturbs me greatly and I believe it would cause concern on the part of anyone who thinks about it for a few minutes..

The suggestion that I take the profit from my labors and turn it over to you so that you can set up a business that would destroy mine is nothing short of reprehensible. I know that there is little gratitude left in the world but this suggestion on your part must be about as impertinent as one could be.

The suggestion is, of course, self-serving. The cooperatives have not proven to me that they can operate efficiently enough to offset the profit of private enterprise. I can't think of anything more ridiculous than a cooperative buying an electric power generating plant. For the overall good of this country we need to utilize the most efficient generating facilities available. This requires complex systems - not individual units.

There is an old adage which says, "The best beggars may not be the most deserving". I surely hope our legislators will carefully examine your proposal.

**John E. Peterson, Jr.**
**Greensboro**

I am a *Carolina Country* reader. I enjoy everything I read in it from cover to cover. I have always lived in North Carolina —the Good Old North State. I liked the article about "A Walk in the Past" (January).... I went to a one-room school when I was a child most like the one in your article.

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10 Red Flowering Quince, 6-10 inch
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10 Deutzia, 6-10 inch .....
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10 Forsythia Yellow, 6-10 inch ....
10 Pink Weigelia, 6-10 inch .....
10 Hydrangea P. G., 6-10 inch ....
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10 Hydrangea Arboresence, 6-10 .
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10 Black Walnut, 6-10 inch .....
10 Chinese Chestnuts, 6-10 inch ..

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10 Black Locust, 6-10 inch .....
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10 American Elm, 6-10 inch .....
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10 Pin Oak, 6-10 inch .....
10 Silver Maple, 6-10 inch .....
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10 Scarlet Red Maple, 6-10 inch .
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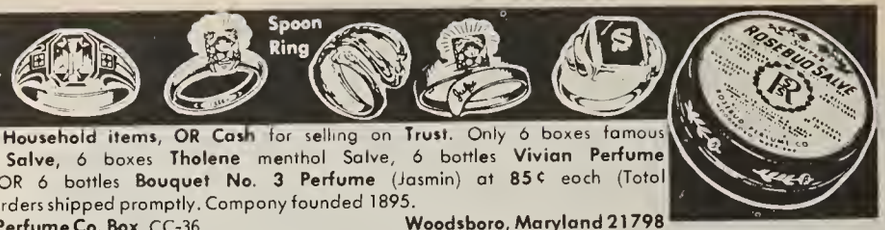


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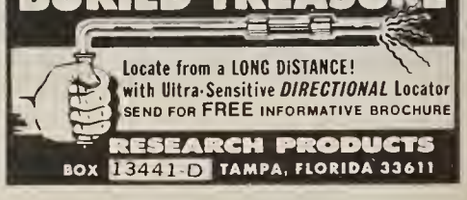

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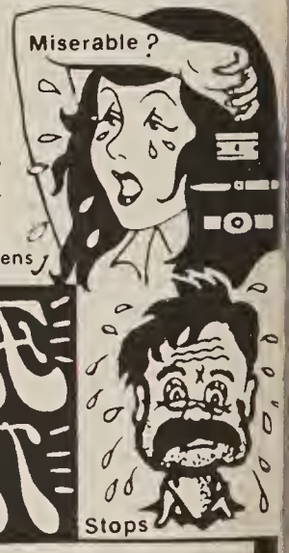


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When the parents of a nine-year-old threw a party, they allowed her to stay up, provided she took care of the guests' hats and coats. Unobserved, she slipped out for a saucer, placed a lone dime in it and left it on a table near the coat closet.

When the first guest arrived, he noticed the dime and put a quarter in the saucer. After the party, the astonished host and hostess discovered their daughter counting up her profits for the evening. A neat $6.70.

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A farmer once said that his mule was "awfully backward about going forward." This is also true of a lot of people in the world today.

*". . . Hey Hon, . . . The tulips are bloomin' . . ."*

# FULL COLOR COVER PRINTS

*Carolina Country* is offering full-color reprints of the beautiful watercolor beach scene which graced the cover of the May, 1975, issue of the magazine.

The original painting was done by Durham artist Nancy May especially for *Carolina Country.*

Ms. May has been studying watercolor privately for the past four years and has developed her style through actual experience at the coast. She has exhibited in several one-woman shows in Raleigh, Chapel Hill and Pawley's Island, S.C.

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Co-op Council

## Youth, Family Honored

An Alleghany County youth and a Johnston County family have been honored by the Cooperative Council of North Carolina.

Samuel A. Miller Jr., of Laurel Springs was chosen first place winner in the council's 1976 Outstanding Cooperative Youth Awards Program from nominees across the state. As winner, Miller was awarded an expense-paid trip to attend the American Institute of Cooperation held on the campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute to be held in Blacksburg, Va., in July.

Sponsored in the competition by the Alleghany District of Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation, Miller was cited for his activities in school, sports, the Laurel Springs 4-H Club and a variety of awards in area youth activities and competitions. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Miller and plans to work toward a future degree in engineering at N. C. State University In Raleigh.

The council presented its Outstanding Young Rural Family Award to the Jerry Lester Cox family who live in the Bentonville community of Johnston County.

Cox and his wife, Anne, are the parents of two sons, David and Clark. They have been active in efforts to enrich life in their community and were cited as "encouraging other young couples to live in the community and join them in community leadership."

Four other young people were also named area state winners in the Youth Awards competition. They are James William (Bill) Clark of Lansing, Earnest Phil Howell of West Jefferson, Suzette Roberts of Angier and Frank Thompson of Hillsborough.

The awards were presented at the Cooperative Council's January annual meeting and recognition banquet in Raleigh.

# TEMA Names Shoaf Sales Representative

Tarheel Electric Membership Association, the materials and supply division of N.C. Electric Membership Corporation, has named Earl F. Shoaf sales representative.

Shoaf comes to TEMA from a position as purchasing agent and safety coordinator for Crescent EMC in Statesville.

His duties in the new position include regular contact with the various EMCs across the state regarding the materials supply needs. He also assists program chie Jerry McFelea in overseeing the statewide materia program.

He is a 1970 graduate of Appalachian State University where he received a degree in health and physic education with a minor in business.

Prior to the four years he spent at Crescent EMC Shoaf taught health and physical education for two yea at Davie County High School. He also coached th school's baseball, football and basketball teams.

His experience with the Statesville cooperative bega during high school with part-time work when it was Dav EMC. He continued the part-time job during college aft Davie EMC merged with Cornelius EMC to for Crescent EMC.

He and his wife, Phyllis, and their year-old son, Crai live in the Davie county town of Cooleemee.


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## End of Day

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et our daily needs,
ese fade into nothingness as
gentle cattle feeds.

ral sounds are muted and the
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ıter's icy cold.
e pavement is a ribbon through
n field and crest
akes me over bridges,
he ones that I love best.

**Claudia C. Hudson**
**Goldsboro**

## The Old Horse

I once went to Virginia,
To a peaceful little town,
Where the children laughed
and played
And the old men hung around.

I saw a man coming down the road
Leading a tall old horse.
I walked over to the aging man,
And started talking, of course,

He said, "This old horse, Rust, has
been on many a hunt,
Jumping and running with joy.
He's carried me safely over many a
fence
Yes, he's been a right faithful old boy.

"He was one of the best in his day,
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He could jump like a jack rabbit too,
I think the Grand National winner
was some of his kin.

"I wish he could've run in the
National,
caught up with both of us,
I just know he could have won,
That's right, ain't it, Rust?

"Yes sir, this is a fine old horse,
See how he holds his head up with
pride?
If he were a little bit younger,
He could give you a dandy ride.

"Well, I guess I'd better go now.
My old friend here's getting tired.
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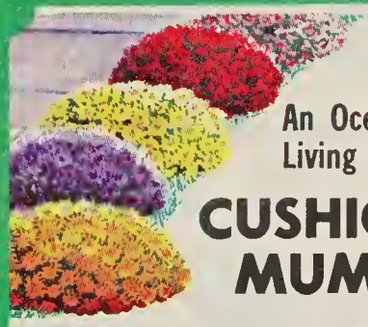

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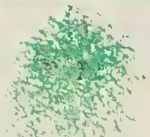

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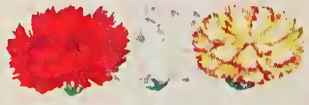

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